



# Living In Gospel Focus

Welcome to Long Beach Alliance Church

September 25, 2022



## LOOKING FOR A SEASONAL JOB WITH AN ETERNAL PURPOSE?

Help process Operation Christmas Child shoeboxes  
for children around the world in Jesus' Name!

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occseasonaljobs](http://samaritanspurse.org/occseasonaljobs)



## LBAC Year-to-Date Financial Report

|                            | <u>Budget</u> | <u>Received</u>         | <u>Budget %</u> |
|----------------------------|---------------|-------------------------|-----------------|
| Weekly:                    | \$13,332.06   | \$6,843.67              | 51.3%           |
| Month-to-Date:             | \$39,996.18   | \$29,966.34             | 67.4%           |
| Year-to-Date:              | \$39,996.18   | \$29,966.34             | 67.4%           |
| Disbursed YTD: \$29,720.01 |               | GF Balance: \$21,880.30 |                 |

Offerings can be placed in the locked box in the Sanctuary Lobby or given to any usher

## GET INVOLVED IN A LIFE GROUP!

Life Groups are being designed to provide a great environment for growing friendships, interesting discussions, tasty snacks, and plenty of good biblical input with tons of life-changing prayer!

FILL OUT THE INFORMATION INSERT & DROP IT INTO THE DROP BOX ON  
THE WALL IN THE LOBBY OR IN THE DOOR SLOT IN THE GE WING!

## GET INVOLVED TODAY!

# Remaining Centered In An Off-Centered World

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Matthew 12:25; 1 Corinthians 1:10-17, 3:18-23; Ephesians 4:1-6; Philippians 2:1-11

## 1) Unity in Mind & Judgment Heals Divisions

## 2) Off-Centered Ethnic, Economic, & Social Divisions

## 3) Centered in Our Gospel Identity

# LBAC's Family Calendar & Events

Weekly Schedule

Regular Ministry Schedule & Contacts

## Sunday, September 25

- 9:30AM Gospel Project: Children's Ministry
- 9:30AM Worship & Celebration Service

## Monday, September 26

- 7:00PM Betrayal & Beyond Zoom Meeting
- 7:00PM Pure Desire In-Person Meeting
- 7:00PM SIA In-Person & Zoom Meeting

## Tuesday, September 27

- 10:00AM All Staff Team Meeting
- 7:00PM Betrayed Heart Zoom Meeting
- 7:00PM Men's Bible Study (offsite)
- 7:00PM High School Youth Group
- 7:00PM Elder Board Meeting

## Wednesday, September 28

- 6:30PM AWANA
- 7:00PM Revelation Bible Study (offsite)

## Thursday, September 29

- 7:00PM Middle School Youth Group
- 7:00PM Audit Committee Meeting

## Friday, September 30

- 8:00PM NA In-Person Meeting

## Saturday, October 1

- 8:00AM Men's Zoom Bible Study
- 9:00AM Kairos Prison Ministry Leader Event

## Sunday, October 2

- 8:00AM Red Cross Blood Drive (All-Day)
- 9:30AM Gospel Project: Children's Ministry
- 9:30AM Worship & Celebration Service

## MISSIONS

**Information Coming Soon!**

## GROWTH GROUPS

**Link to LBAC Growth Groups!**  
Mid-week Adult Bible Studies (on hold)

## CHILDREN'S MINISTRIES

**Link to LBAC Children's Ministries!**

Sunday Mornings:

Gospel Project @ 9:30AM

Fun-N-Funky @ 11:15AM (on hold)

## AWANA

**Link to LBAC AWANA**

Wednesday Nights September-May

## YOUTH MINISTRIES

**Link to LBAC Youth Ministries!**

Link to LBAC Youth Instagram Page

Every Tuesday & Thursday Night @ 7:00PM

## WOMEN'S MINISTRIES

**Link to LBAC Women's Ministry!**

Women's Ministry Event Information

Contact: [office@lbac.org](mailto:office@lbac.org)

Lydia House Meals Ministry

3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday each month

Women Connecting with Missions

3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday each month @ 7:00PM (on hold)

Crafty Women

3<sup>rd</sup> Saturday each month @ 10:00AM

## MEN'S MINISTRIES

**Link to LBAC Men's Ministry!**

Contact: [mensministry@lbac.org](mailto:mensministry@lbac.org)

## long beach alliance church offices

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**THE  
ALLIANCE**





# SAVE THE DATE

## 2022

# ANNUAL VISION DINNER & MEETING

**Sunday  
October 9**

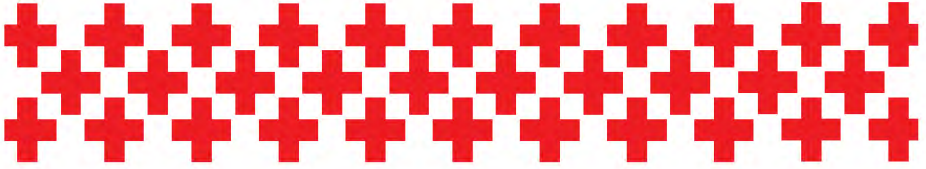
**Dinner 5PM  
Meeting 6PM**

**Sign up for the potluck & childcare in the Courtyard today!**

Childcare will be provided after dinner

# American Red Cross

*Give blood.* Help save lives.



## **Red Cross Blood Drive** **Long Beach Alliance Church**

Gymnasium  
3331 Palo Verde Avenue  
Long Beach, CA 90808

**Sunday, October 2, 2022**  
**8:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.**

To make an appointment, please sign up online at [RedCrossBlood.org](https://RedCrossBlood.org) and enter sponsor code: LBAAlliance or call 1-800-RED CROSS (1-800-733-2767).

Streamline your donation experience and save up to 15 minutes by visiting [RedCrossBlood.org/RapidPass](https://RedCrossBlood.org/RapidPass) to complete your pre-donation reading and health history questions on the day of your appointment.



Scan to be directed to  
RapidPass®

**We've got a treat for you this month: Come to give in October and get a \$5 e-gift card to a merchant of your choice. Enjoy some buttery popcorn or a refreshing drink with your next movie screening on us. Terms apply, see [rcblood.org/boo](https://rcblood.org/boo)**



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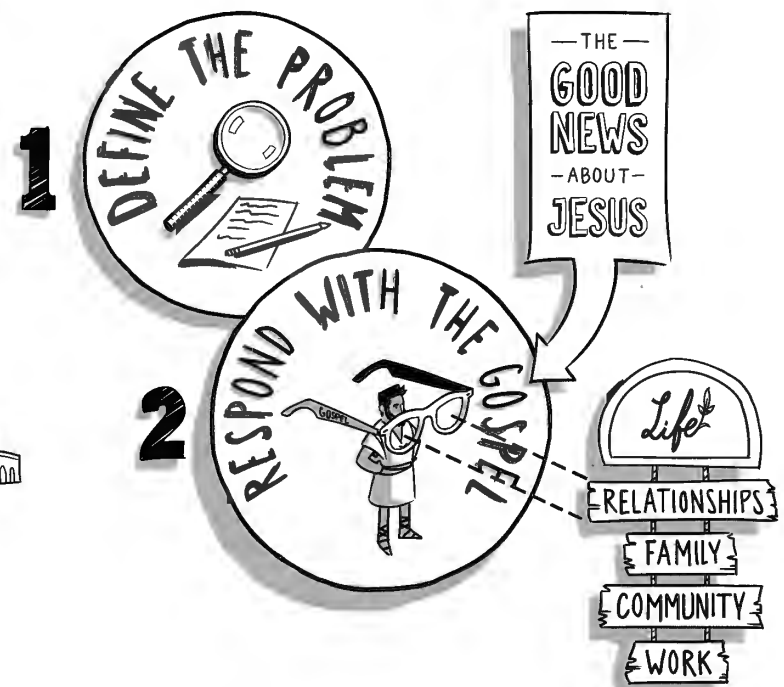
READ ABOUT THIS IN  
**ACTS: CHAPTER 18**



PAUL  
LIVED HERE FOR  
1½ YEARS

# 1 CORINTHIANS

SEEING EVERY PART OF LIFE THROUGH THE GOSPEL



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DEFINE THE PROBLEM

RESPOND WITH THE Gospel

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| <b>DIVISIONS</b><br>THIS IS NOT A POPULARITY CONTEST!<br>PAUL, APOLLOS, PETER                        | <b>SEX</b><br>GUY, HIS STEPMOM<br>WE ARE FREE IN CHRIST   | <b>FOOD</b><br>DON'T EAT IT! (JEWISH CHRISTIANS)<br>BON APPETIT (NON-JEWISH CHRISTIANS)  | <b>THE GATHERING</b><br>???<br>DON'T DISTRACT OTHERS<br>HAVE ORDERLY MEETINGS   | <b>THE RESURRECTION</b><br>THERE IS NO RESURRECTION! |
| <b>CHURCH IS A COMMUNITY OF PEOPLE</b><br>CENTERED AROUND JESUS<br>LEADERS AND TEACHERS ARE SERVANTS | <b>JESUS DIED FOR YOUR SINS</b><br>INCLUDING BROKEN RELATIONSHIPS DUE TO SEXUAL MISCONDUCT<br>OUR BODIES WILL BE RAISED FROM THE DEAD<br>WHAT YOU DO WITH YOUR BODY MATTERS<br>FUTURE | <b>SCENARIO 1</b><br>CHRISTIANS WORSHIP LOTS OF GODS!<br>NOT GOOD<br><b>SCENARIO 2</b><br>THANK YOU FOR THIS FOOD, AMEN<br>TOTALLY FINE<br>CORE PRINCIPLE: | <b>RESURRECTION IS INDISPENSABLE</b><br>JESUS' VICTORY OVER SIN AND DEATH<br>SOURCE OF POWER FOR US<br>HOPE FOR THE WORLD<br>MEANINGLESS WITHOUT RESURRECTION | <b>FINAL GREETING</b>                                |

BECAUSE OF THE RESURRECTION WE HAVE

A REASON FOR **UNITY**

MOTIVATION FOR **Sexual Integrity**

POWER TO **LOVE OTHERS** MORE THAN YOURSELF

**VICTORY OVER DEATH**

## THE GOSPEL: AN ANNOUNCEMENT ABOUT JESUS THAT OPENS UP A NEW REALITY

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